

Monitoring, Surveys, Modeling

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Input signal
time series



Convolution
through a filter



Output signal
time series



Geomagnetic
variation



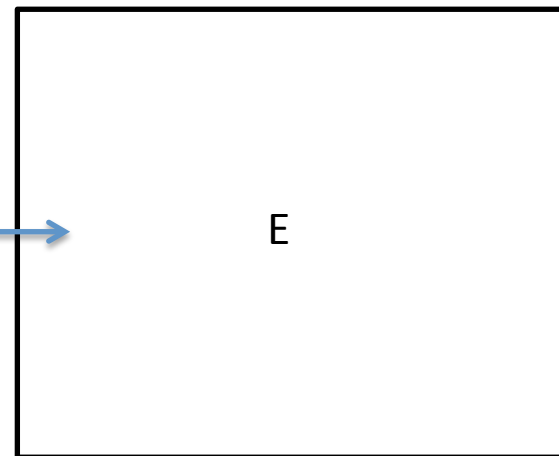
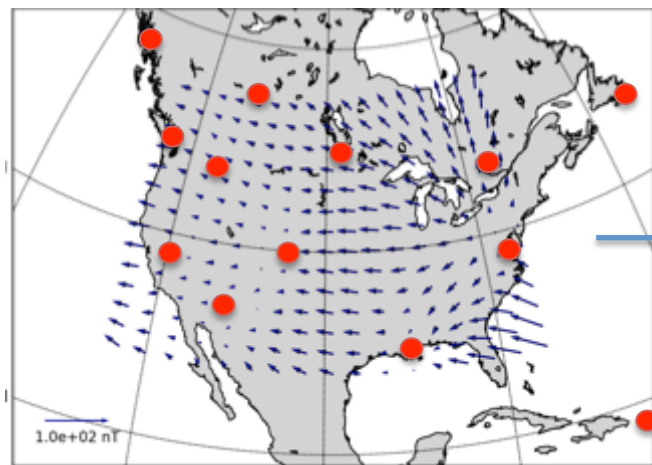
Geoelectric
field



Map of
geomagnetic variation

Earth conductivity model or
measured impedance

Map of
geoelectric variation



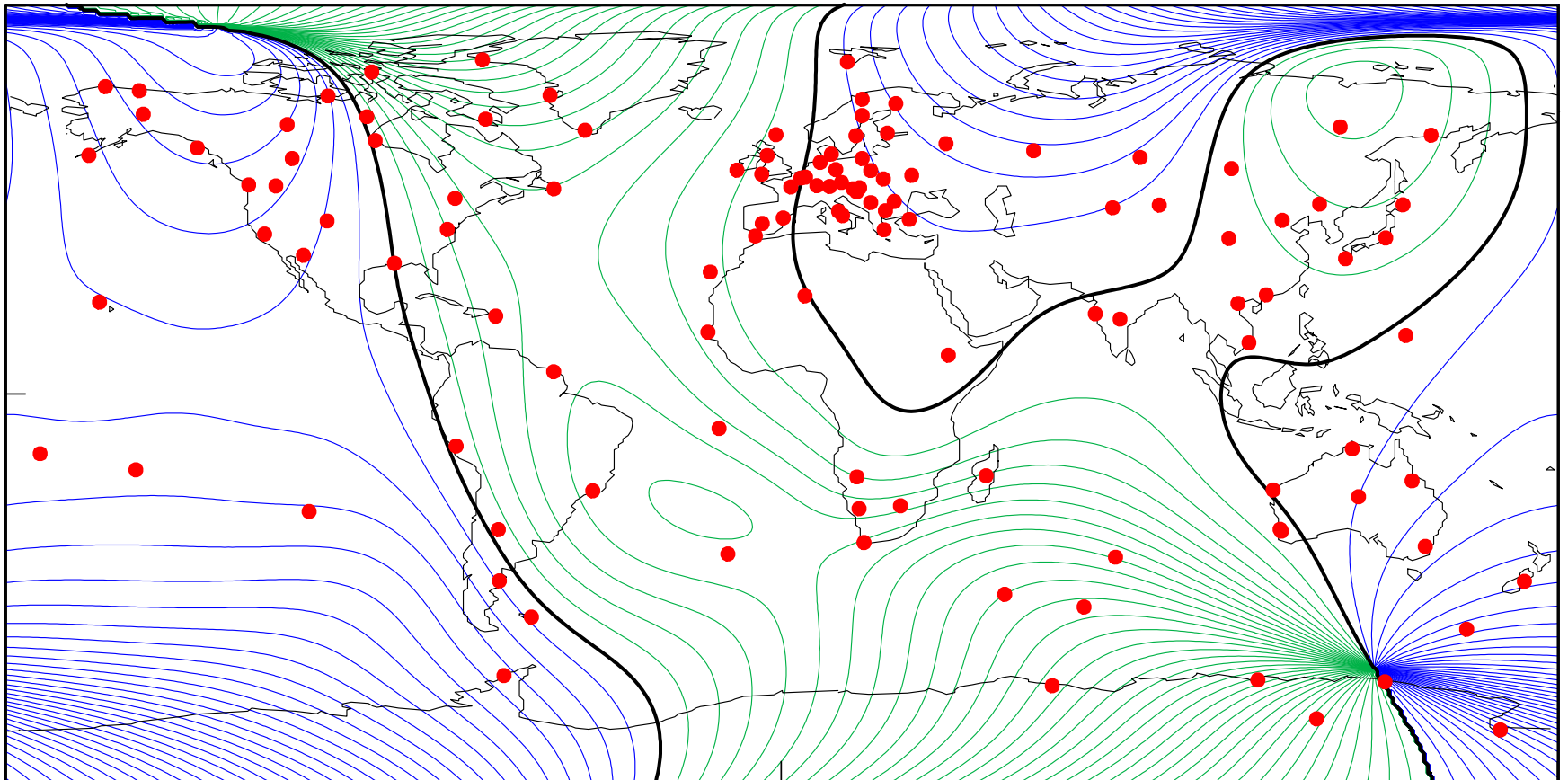
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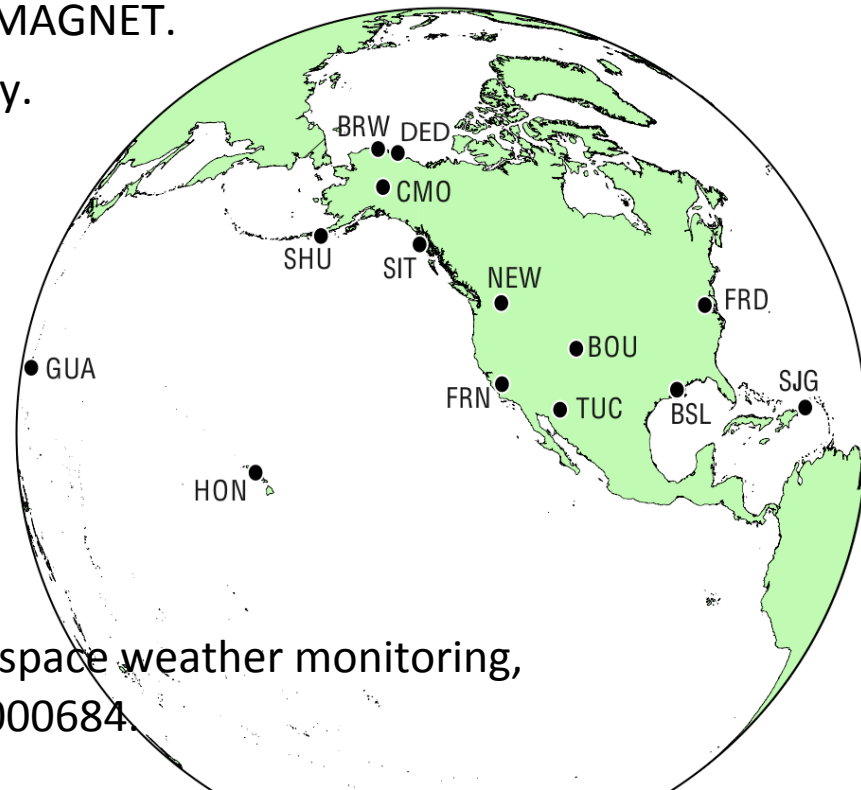
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USGS Geomagnetism Program

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- Part of a USGS Natural Hazards Mission.
- DOI representation in the National Space Weather Program.
- Monitor Earth's magnetic field at ground-based magnetic observatories.
- Report data with high accuracy, resolution, and reliability.
- Customers: Air Force, NOAA, NASA, GFZ, NICT, industry, academia.
- Promote operations around the world: INTERMAGNET.
- Operational partnership with oil & gas industry.
- Conduct research of societal importance.
- Carol A. Finn, Geomagnetism Group Leader.
- 16 staff, 14 observatories.
- Budget: \$1.9 million/yr.

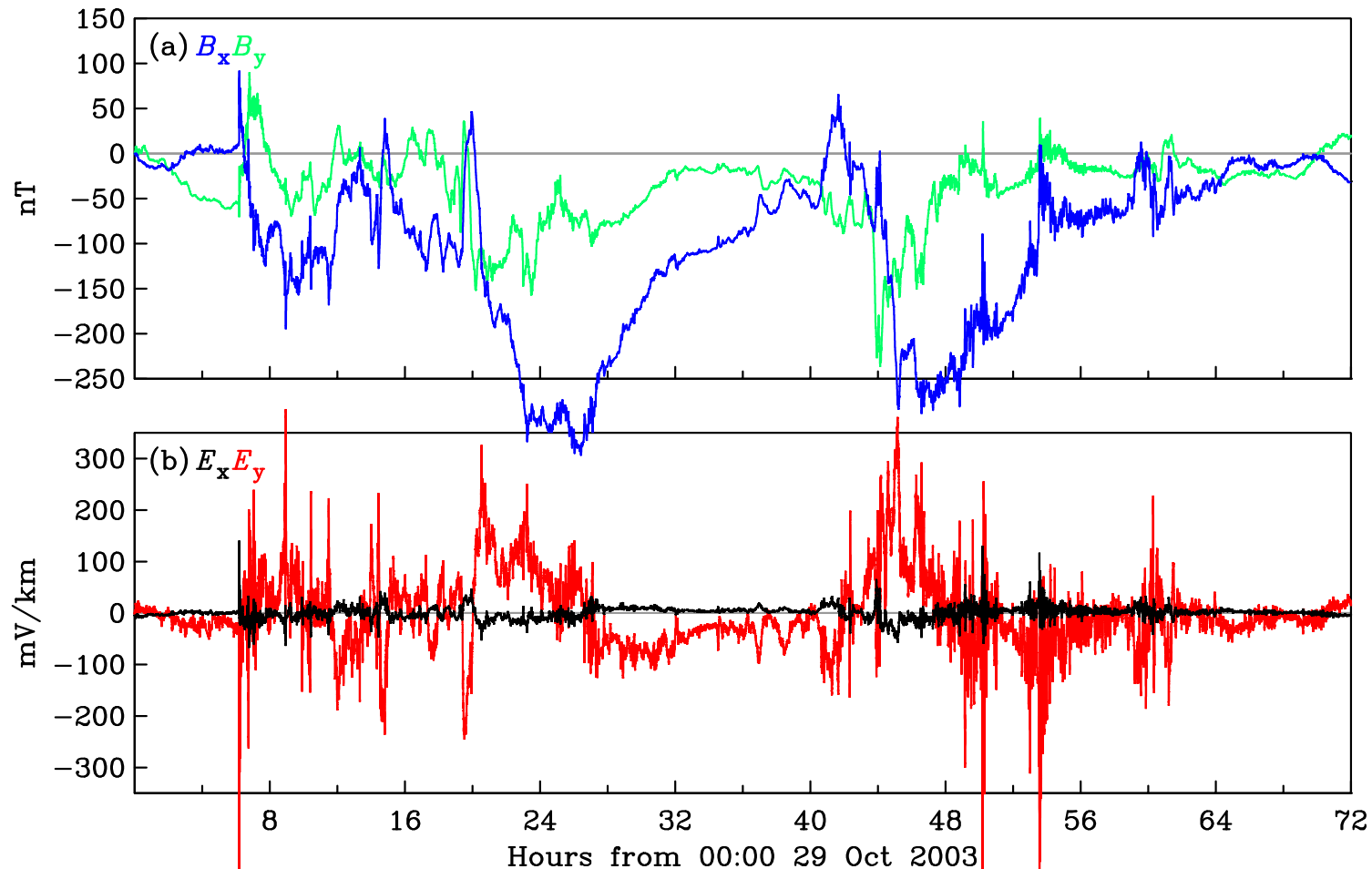


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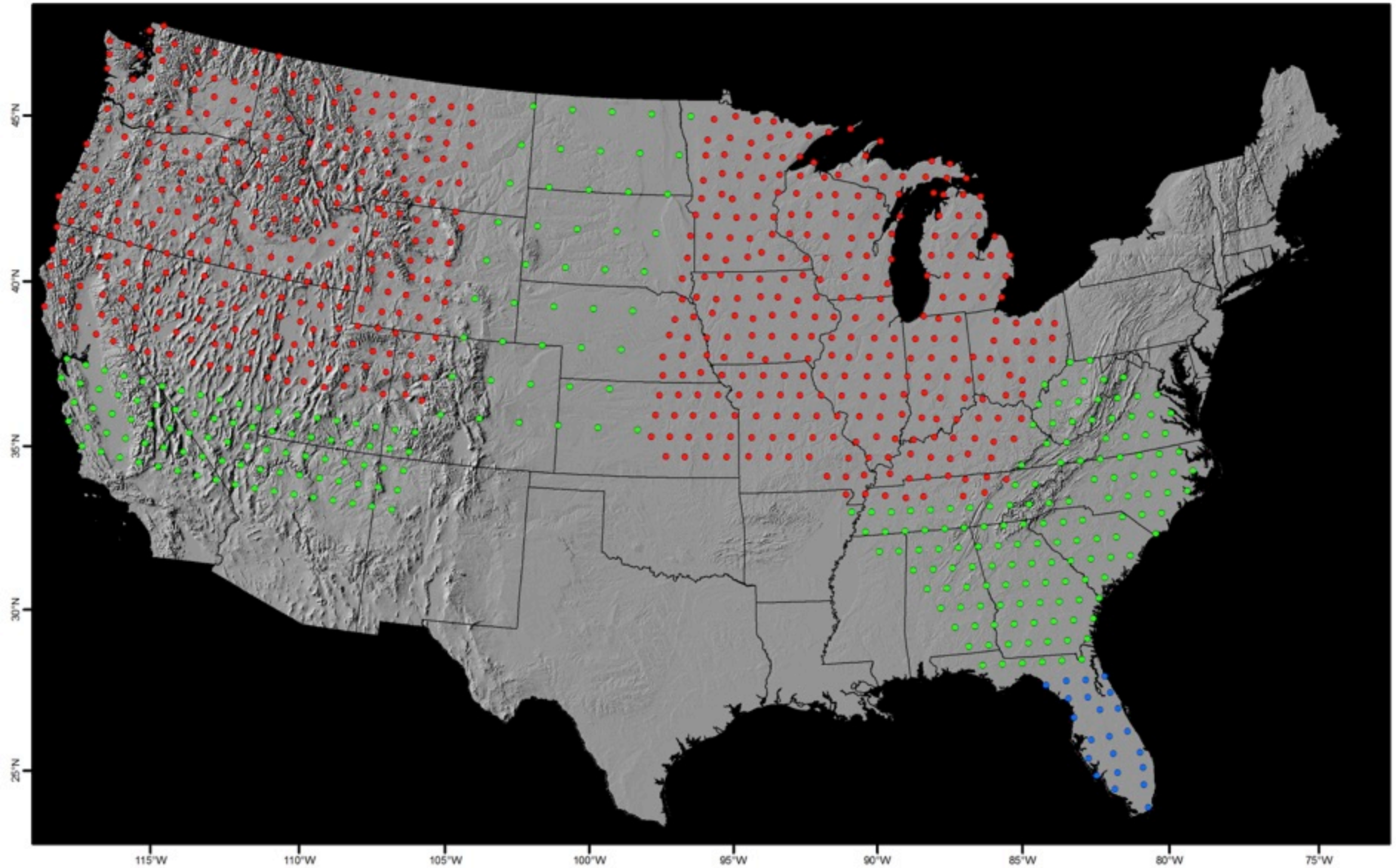
Geomagnetic and Goelectric Data

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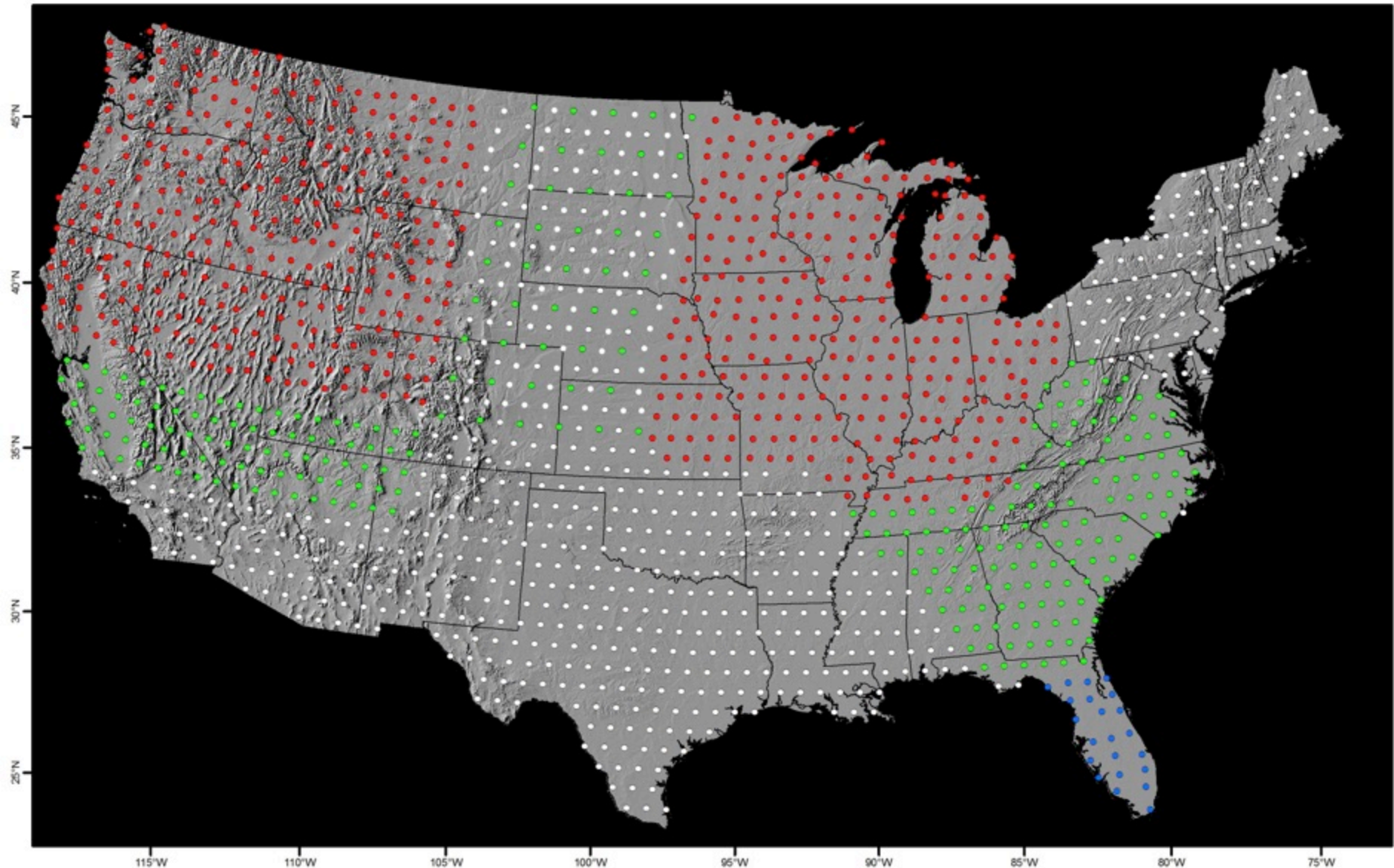


The United States needs both more geomagnetic monitoring and some geoelectric monitoring (none is in place).

NSF EarthScope MT survey by 2018 with recent USGS work in Florida.

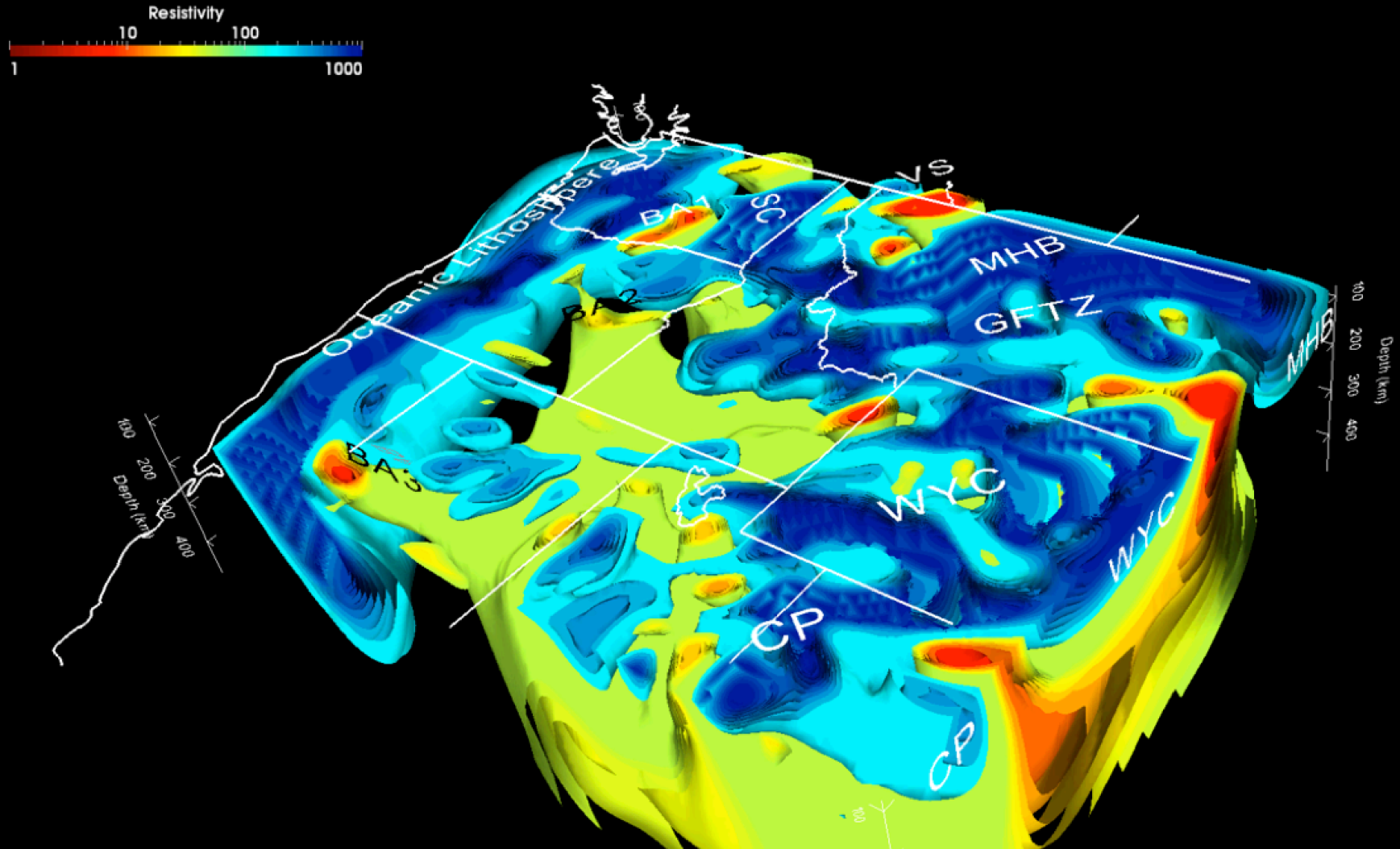


Possible augmentation of MT survey (white)



Will provide data useful for induction-hazard science and for fundamental geological understanding of the Earth's lithosphere.

3D models of Earth resistivity derived from EarthScope survey data



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Conclusions

- Significant improvements in the evaluations of induction hazards will require:
 1. Improved geomagnetic and geoelectric monitoring
 2. Completing national magnetotelluric surveys
 3. Constructing models of the Earth's 3D conductivity structure.
- Future products of use to the electric-power grid industry:
 1. Gridded maps of geomagnetic activity
 2. Gridded maps of Earth impedance derived from 3D models
 3. An algorithm for calculating the geoelectric field from 1 & 2.
- A lot of work has been done, and a lot remains to be done.